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## Echoes From The Storm At Centralia

Another Death Added to The List of Last Week—Seven Victims of The Cyclone Buried Thursday.

Columbia, Mo., June 7.—With the death this morning of Mrs. Wm. Via of New Providence, and a negro woman at Centralia, the number of persons killed in the tornado which swept over Boone county Tuesday night was brought up to 16.

Mrs. Via and her husband were seriously injured when their home was demolished. Mr. Via is suffering from injuries on the head and face.

The most remarkable escape recorded is that of Mrs. Roy Douglass of Midway. She was blown 200 yards into a field with her baby in her arms. She suffered only slight bruises.

The number of cattle and other stock killed increases as more details are received. The entire herd of 150 hogs on the farm of Paul Henderson at Midway was killed. Only 15 out of 100 sheep on the farm of W. V. Haun at Midway are said to have come out of the tornado alive.

The hogs of Mr. Henderson are said to have each weighed 200 pounds, which would place the loss at \$4,500 at market prices.

According to persons who have traveled thru the devastated area, the tornado veered up and down, striking the ground at intervals of from two to five miles in its race thru Boone county.

The first spot touched in Boone was near the Roachport Cave, where a large tobacco barn was destroyed. After its first swoop down the tornado jumped two miles and hit again near Midway, killing Jesse Miller.

About two miles from this spot it swooped down upon the farm of W. V. Haun, resulting in the death of Mrs. Haun.

From Midway the storm swept on toward New Providence, where it exacted a toll of one life. Hinton, Hallsville and Centralia were struck in succession.

Centralia, Mo., June 7.—The bodies of seven victims of the cyclone were buried this afternoon. Memorial services were held in the First Baptist church, in which the entire community participated.

A representative of the Message visited the wreckage left by the storm at Centralia last week. The houses destroyed were mostly small wooden structures, not built strong and went to pieces easily.

The side-wall of a cyclone cellar, we noticed, was turned in so that it nearly closed the entrance. A big threshing machine engine stood proudly in its place when every house about it on every side was smashed down or blown away.

We noticed an old rooster and his mate going about among their chicken dead looking most mournful and despondent.

T. J. Farrington, formerly of Laddonia, this county, had his house moved from its foundation.

The big two-story Hulen home, just west of town, which was built facing north, was lifted up and put down again so that now it faces the southwest.

It is said that a number of articles, including a silk dress, were found by a farmer near Florida, Monroe county, Mark Twain's old home, 27 miles northeast of Centralia. It is thought they were carried there by the storm which struck at Centralia.

The Centralia Guard says that a man at Victor, Monroe County, 40 miles northeast of Centralia, came in Wednesday with a pair of corduroy trousers and an iron skillet which were dropped on his place by the cyclone which passed in the air high above Victor.

Mappin Belmont, near Strother, says the Paris Appeal, could not account for the laths and bits of lumber which greeted his eyes early Wednesday until he started to Paris and learned about the awful storm at Centralia. It was the same way with Earl Delaney who found bits of dry goods as well as shingles and boards, about nine miles south of Paris. James Vaughn, near Strother, lay.

## COUNTY EXPENDITURES.

The County Court was in session a short while last week. The following bills were allowed:

### Salaries.

H. H. Gafford, \$104.16.  
R. S. McKinney, \$55.  
J. D. Miller, \$50.  
J. W. Renner, \$7.60.  
Ross B. Cauthorn, \$149.20.  
W. Clyde Johnson, \$100.  
Mo. Blank Co., \$1.  
R. D. Rodgers, \$166.66.

### County Farm.

J. T. Marshall, \$39.50.  
Arctic Ice & Storage Co., \$10.89.  
Mason Creasey, \$1.25.  
J. W. Dry, \$3.20.  
Daniel & Cass, \$6.10.  
J. C. Foster, \$2.  
C. P. Berger, \$7.55.  
Llewellyn & Sons, \$1.20.  
McPheeters Bros., \$3.70.  
Mexico Clothing Co., \$2.  
Mexico Power Co., \$65.60.  
Mexico Hardware & Furn. Co., \$4.80.

J. D. Miller, \$2.81.  
R. C. Paul & Sons, \$17.71.  
Wm. Pollock & Co., \$4.80.  
G. H. Randle, \$1.  
J. O. Robertson, \$4.95.  
S. W. Telephone Co., \$1.50.  
Squires Electric Co., \$4.  
O. E. Tucker, \$1.

### County Jail.

J. G. Ford, feeding prisoners, \$435.60.  
Guthrie & Son, \$32.05.  
Haskell Bros., \$1.85.  
Hillyard Disinfectant Co., \$100.  
W. R. Johnson, \$16.85.  
Llewellyn & Sons, \$2.55.  
C. P. Malone, \$3.95.  
Mexico Power Co., \$13.70.  
Wilkins & Brown, \$11.  
B. F. Wells, \$62.17.

### Printing.

R. B. Cauthorn, \$5.97.  
W. L. Craddock & Son, \$1.75.  
Hugh Stephens Printing Co., \$1.07.  
W. Clyde Johnson, \$69.05.  
Intelligencer Publishing Co., \$41.25.

Mexico Message, \$4.20.  
Penny-Jackman Printing Co., \$2.95.

Standard Printing Co., \$4.45.

### Miscellaneous.

J. W. Barnett, for hay, \$18.85.  
G. D. Barnard & Co., \$6.30.  
Alex Carter, freight on rock, \$29.45.  
L. B. Daniel, charity, \$11.90.  
Glasgow Sand Co., bridge material, \$19.25.  
J. W. Howell, \$4.  
McPheeters Bros., \$42.50.  
Marble Head Lime Co., for rock, \$33.02.  
C. T. Powell, drayage, \$2.  
Sturgeon Court of Common Pleas, \$55.  
S. W. Telephone Co., \$18.30.

George Irion of this county was one among ten students who won scholarship honors at Missouri University this year. Miss Maureen Heizer of Mexico, was a near winner, also.

DeRoy Cobb who has been in college at Fayette is home for the summer and will put in his licks at farming till school opens again.

found pieces of sheet metal five feet long. Abner Wilson's place was littered with shingles, pieces of flooring, etc., the largest item being a piece of tin roofing about ten feet long. The distance between these places and Centralia is about 25 miles. Only a wind with terrific force could have carried the items mentioned so far.

At a mass meeting next day, Centralia citizens subscribed \$2,400 cash to assist those who had lost their homes and property in the storm.

J. G. Crawford, 16 miles northeast of Centralia, tells the Message that the next morning after the storm he found a piece of roofing tin in his yard, 2x6, and another corrugated, 2x4 feet, and shingles weatherboarding, bark from trees, leaves, etc. His neighbor, E. E. Pierce, a mile away, found a pair of new corduroy pants near his house.

City Marshall Wigiam and his folding bed went down together under the broken timbers of his home. But he was thrown from his bed and the bed fell on him, holding him down until he was rescued. His gun and pocket money were found next morning, scattered near where he lay.

## ONCE A SCOUT

### ALWAYS A SCOUT

(By L. Roy Ferris)

"Once a Scout Always a Scout" is a slogan used in boy scout circles, and so it is—the little khaki-clad scout that carries the evening paper and puts it in a safe place on the porch, if you please, where the rain will not soak it nor the wind hide it in the neighbor's garden, when a fellow comes home tired and worn out from his day's work. Bless the little scout, you say, he is so careful and so polite. Didn't he go six blocks to the office to get a certain paper, and would he take your offered dime? Not on your life, for it's a way he has. It is just as contagious in scout circles to be polite and to read in the tired eyes of the old washwoman, as she boards the street car that the pleasure stations are few and far between in her dull life, as he offers her a seat.

It's the scout that divides his lunch with the crippled boy, whose father was so lazy he never tried to lay up anything for the mother and the kids, but to the little cripple he is "dad" and you must not say a word against him or you will have to reckon with the little cripple; and the scout.

No wonder Gen. Baden Powell, of the British Army, loved the boy scouts. Did not they stand guard in the Boer country where the soldiers were all busy? Did not they perform great deeds for their country that never reached the outside wall. Gen. Piwell could not take the whole bunch of them back to England with him. He organized boy scout troupes in England. The scouts won their way to the hearts of the English people by their many deeds, that the movement spread to every country on the globe and now they are 250,000 strong in this country alone.

Do they swear? Goodness, no. Why, they take an oath to be true to their country, their parents, their school teachers and their God.

Do they smoke cigarettes? Not if they are true scouts. Are they kind to animals? Surely, yes. Old Bossy, the cow, never has to ball for a drink, and Old Toby, the horse, always wants the scout boy to feed him, because the scout slips a piece of sugar between Toby's lips, and the kindly look and friendly nicker is a secret code that means, "Thank you, Sonny, you are a good boy. When you grow up the big banker on the corner next to the little banker will want you to handle his money, for they like to employ scouts, for once a scout, always a scout," and a scout is trustworthy.

### THE NEW BRICK PLANT.

Cars of machinery and lumber for the new brick plant in the west part of Mexico are being unloaded.

Work on the plant is to be rushed, and it is understood that it will be in full operation by the first of September. All the equipment is to be thoroughly modern and up-to-date.

### MRS. PEARSON DEAD.

Laddonia, Mo., June 6.—Mrs. Martha Pearson, 85 years old, died at this place last night. She was a native of North Carolina and came to Missouri in 1881. Two daughters survive her, Mrs. James Gilliland of this place, and Mrs. Manda Talbott of Manhattan, Mont. The body will be buried in Callaway county at Liberty Church. On first moving to this locality she and her husband improved a piece of land one mile northeast of here, later moving to town.

### DUTY-HEATON NUPTIALS.

Mr. Roy Duty, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Duty of Mexico, on June 1st was married to Miss Nita Heaton at Roodhouse, Ill.

Mr. Duty has a position with the C. & A. Railroad and is an energetic and reliable young man. His bride is a charming and lovable young woman. They are building a new home in Roodhouse where they will reside. The Message extends them very best wishes.

\$15.00 will buy your suit at the Glasgow Tailors. (4t)

Rev. Elmer Underwood of Granite City, Ill., who is pastor of the Christian church in that place, visited relatives at Rush Hill last week. Elmer Underwood was born and reared in this county and his many friends here are always glad to see him.

## Said of Mexico Folks

Joy Kistler is home from Central College at Fayette for the summer.

Dr. R. V. Vaughn, dentist, of this city, is arranging to move to Monmouth, Ill., soon.

Ben Barnes, of this city got some good pictures of the wreckage left by the storm at Centralia.

Rev. S. W. Hayne addressed the graduates of Howard-Payne College at Fayette Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Crosby are home from a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Roy Harris, at Minneapolis, Minn.

W. R. Johnson, "The Enterprise Store man," has been chosen Noble Grand of the Odd Fellows Lodge of this city.

Miss Frances Wakefield has returned home from Fayette where she spent the past year in Howard-Payne College.

Mrs. Amanda Kunkel beat 'em all raising potatoes this year. She has had new potatoes from her garden for two weeks past.

Miss Myrtle Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Roberts of Mexico is attending summer school at Missouri University.

Miss Katherine Haskell, of this city, is one of the bright graduates at Missouri University this year. She is home for the summer.

Sam Morris and daughter, Miss Pearl, left last week for Atlanta, Ga., where they are attending the National Travelers Protective Association Convention.

The Wesley Bible Class of the Mexico Methodist Church and the Frances Rodgers Bible Class gave a party in the parlors of the church Friday night to 70 members. The young women of the church served dainty refreshments.

Uncle Rus Pearson, nearly 92 years young, is the best gardener in Mexico; he also raises the truck. He's laughing at his neighbor, Gert Houston. He thinks Gern better come home and look after his garden; it needs a grapevine tied to it to keep the grass from getting it.

The wedding of Miss Lella Winans to Mr. Carter Norris was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Winans, at 8:30 Saturday night. Rev. O. O. Green read the ceremony, following which a reception was held. Miss Josephine Wallace, assisted by Messrs. Edwin Gibson and Theodore Winans, played the wedding march. Mr. Robert Campbell sang two songs just before the wedding ceremony. The ribbon bearers were James Louis Robinett of Mansfield, Mo., and Alfred Bush of St. Louis, both cousins of the bride. The flower girls were Jean Louis Herrick and Mary Bess Herrick both of Farmers City, Ill., nieces of the groom. Mrs. Lester Miller, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and the bridesmaids were Misses Willie Hook and Dorothy Holmes. The groomsmen were Mr. Will C. Williams and Mr. Robinett Hare, the latter of Fulton. The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bush and son of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Robinett and son of Mansfield, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Herrick and two daughters of Farmers City, Ill., Mrs. A. L. Norris of Farmers City, Ill., Mrs. James Caldwell of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Finley of Marshall, Mo., Mrs. Reese of State College, Penn., Mrs. Mary Lewis, of Osceola, Mo., Mrs. Roy E. Eblen of St. Louis, and Mrs. L. N. Gordon of Kansas City. It was one of the largest home weddings of the season.

Boise City, Idaho, has a Solomon. A girl was arrested for appearing in a peek-a-boo waist. The case was brought before the sanitary inspector for adjudication. She must have been a good looker for the inspector searched the city ordinances and found that the girl's apparel was perfectly proper. He said that according to section 2 of ordinance 23-13, "all exposed fruit must be covered with a mosquito netting" and his judgment was that the girl was a peach. She was discharged.

Dr. Mann, of Wellington, Mo., visited his old-time friend here this week, John W. Howell.

## UNIVERSAL PEACE.

A friend suggests the publication of the following poem, written Feb'y 1915, by Hon. Joseph Flory, clerk of the St. Louis Court of Appeals and former candidate Governor of Missouri. It is prophetic in scope: Oh, Ye Christian (?) Nations, Can any one now tell

Why millions of your gallant men  
Are facing shot and shell?  
All men were created equal  
Upon this grand old earth,  
And we know of no good reason  
For rule by Royal Birth.  
The crowned heads care but little  
What anguish you endure,  
But the losers in the end will be  
The wretched suffering poor.  
The widows and the orphans,  
God help them in their grief!  
When robbed of husband, father,  
By the Royal Cannon thief.  
Pray, rulers, get together,  
As all good Christians should,  
And stop this bloody conflict  
For all the people's good!  
And when the war is over,  
Sit down for sober thought  
And ask yourself in candor  
Why this cruel war was fought.  
Then try our Constitution  
For liberty and peace  
It will give all warring Nations  
Including Ancient Greece.

JOS. FLORY.

## MISSOURI'S NEW FEED LAW.

Representative E. A. Shannon, of Audrain County, One of the Authors—Sellers Must Furnish Chemical Analysis.

Missouri's new "Commercial Feed Stuffs" law, the Shannon-Glick act, effective June 18, 1917, regulates and controls the branding and sale of commercial feeding stuffs made of grain and seeds.

This statute includes commercial feeds used for live stock and poultry, except whole seeds or grains, the unmixing meals made directly from the entire grains of corn, wheat, rye, barley, oats, buckwheat, flaxseed kafir, and milo, whole hays, straws, cottonseed hulls and corn stovers when unmixed with other materials, together with all other materials containing 60 per cent or more of water.

Every lot or parcel of commercial feeding stuffs sold, offered or exposed for sale or distributed within this state, shall have affixed thereto a tag or label, in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof, containing a legible, and plainly printed statement in the English language, clearly and truly certifying:

(a)—The net weight of the contents of the package, lot or parcel.

(b)—The name, brand or trade mark.

(c)—The name and principal address of the manufacturer or person responsible for placing the commodity on the market.

(d)—The "minimum" per centum of crude protein.

(e)—The "minimum" per centum of crude fat.

(f)—The "maximum" per centum of crude fibre.

(g)—The specific (common) name of each ingredient used in its manufacture.

Registration is "permanent." Filing of sample with application not required, except on special request. No tonnage tax and no registration fee collected. Application for registration must be on special form of blank furnished by Jewell Mayes, Secretary, Missouri State Board of Agriculture, Columbia, Mo.

600 Glasgow Tailored Suits at \$15.00. (4t)

### SELLARD-GOVE WEDDING.

Dr. Park E. Sellard of Gallup, N. M., and Miss Mabelle Kathryn Gove of this city were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gove, Saturday morning, Rev. H. P. Atkins officiating. A wedding breakfast served after the ceremony. The wedding was a beautiful event in all its appointments. Mr. Sellard is a graduate of McMillan. His bride is a most charming young woman. Many friends extend heartiest congratulations.

The Wm. Pollock Mill and Elevator Co., is installing new machinery, modern and up-to-date.

The Annie Jones Class of the Mexico Baptist church has subscribed for a Liberty Bond.

## Mr. Fuller Dead Fought James Boys

Was a Long-Time Conductor on the C. & A.—Gave Up His Job Because of Raids by the James Boys.

C. M. Fuller, a former resident of Mexico, died in a hospital in Clinton, Ill., last week. The body was brought here Sunday and taken to the home of Dr. W. R. Rhodes, the latter a brother-in-law of deceased. In the afternoon the body was taken to Elmwood Cemetery for burial. Rev. O. O. Green held a short religious service at the grave.

Two sisters-in-law of Mr. Fuller reside in this city, Mrs. W. R. Rhodes and Mrs. J. A. McPheeters.

Mr. Fuller left Mexico a number of years ago. He had charge of the first work train that was ever operated over the C. & A. R. R. between Mexico and Jefferson City. Later he was transferred to the main line of the road, from here to Kansas City. His train was held up by the Jesse James gang, once at Blue Springs and another time at Glendale, both places near Kansas City. These experiences caused Mr. Fuller to leave the railroad service.

## CARS GO INTO DITCH.

Saturday morning at four o'clock five cars of Wabash passenger train No. 4, Kansas City-St. Louis, left the track a mile east of Benton City and went into the ditch. Three cars were sleepers and these were turned partly over. No one seriously hurt.

A temporary track was built around the wreck, till the cars could be replaced, and in a few hours regular train service was resumed.

## A FINE PRESCRIPTION.

Miss Hendrix of New London a few days ago called on Dr. Howell for treatment, says the Hannibal Journal. The doctor examined her throat and found it in excellent condition. Her eyes were fine and her hearing perfect.

"You do not need a doctor," the specialist smilingly informed her.

"But the paleness, what about that?" she inquired.

"Sleep outdoors and fresh air will do the rest," replied the physician.

The young lady was of course rejoiced at the diagnosis. She thanked the doctor and just as she was emerging from the door of his office he halted her and remarked, "Perhaps I would better give you a prescription."

He handed it to her and she departed for her home. The next morning she took the prescription to her father's drug store. He scrutinized it and handed it back to her with the remark—"Daughter, you are in the wrong place—you want to go to a liverystable."

The prescription read:  
"One horse."  
"One saddle."  
"One bridle."

Next day Dr. Howell received a note from her father, Dr. Hendrix, thanking him for "advice" and enclosing a check.

The inference is that Miss Hendrix is now the possessor of a fine riding horse and the "paleness" is being driven away by roses on her cheeks due to outdoor life.

## MR. LLEWELLYN CHOSEN.

Henry D. Llewellyn has been elected trustee for the property owned by the three Masonic lodges in Mexico—the Blue Lodge, the Chapter and Commandery. He succeeds John J. Steele, who recently moved to Texas.

Mrs. G. B. Quisenberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Field Quisenberry, of Mexico, was married a few days ago to Miss Lillian Sedig, of Sioux City, Iowa. They will reside at Mitchell, S. D.

J. B. Botkin returned a few days ago from a visit to relatives and friends in Ohio.

## MEXICO SAVINGS BANK

50th Year in Business  
Capital Stock \$100,000

R. M. WHITE, President  
J. R. JESSE, Cashier